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[54] **BIFUNCTIONAL
ACETYLCHOLINESTERASE
REACTIVATORS**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

Compounds of formula I:



wherein

Ar¹, Ar², and R¹ have any of the values defined in the specification, and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, are acetylcholinesterase (AChE) reactivators useful as antidotes for organophosphate poisoning in mammals. Also disclosed are pharmaceutical compositions, processes for preparing compounds of formula (I), methods for the use of compounds of formula (I), and intermediates for the preparation thereof.